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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS  
OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application dated January 28, 2002, in connection with the above-referenced patent application, we enclose (1) an executed Declaration, Petition and Power of Attorney by Masajirou INOUE, Toshihiko SUENAGA, Nobuaki KIMURA and Keisuke ANDOU; (2) a check for \$130.00 to cover the

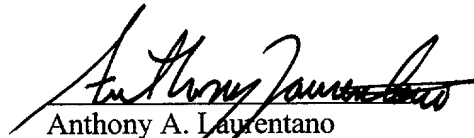
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surcharge fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e); (4) an English translation including 31 pages of specification, 4 pages of claims and 1 page of abstract; 10 sheets drawings (Figs. 1-20); and a Declaration that the translation is accurate, as set forth in 37 CFR 1.52(d); (6) a check for \$130.00 fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i); and (7) a copy of the Formalities Letter.

Please charge any additional fees and credit any overpayments associated with this correspondence to Deposit Account No. 12-0080 and, for this purpose, we enclose a duplicate copy of this response. If there are any questions, please call the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 260.**
- Because your specification was filed in a language other than English, the Office was unable to determine the number of claims submitted. Additional claim fees may be due once the number of claims can be determined.

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